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FATHER OF YOUNG SUYDAM OFFERS TO GIVE \$100,000 TO ELOPERS IF THEY MARRY

Also Makes the Condition That
Young Woman Shall Not
Fight Divorce Suit.

COUPLE REFUSE TO TALK

News of the Offer Given Out
by the Father of Fred
Noble.

Walter Lisenard Suydam, millionaire father of the young Blue Point fisherman whose wife eloped with young Frederick Noble, has offered to settle \$100,000 on Mrs. Suydam if she will agree not to fight divorce proceedings and to marry her son immediately after a decree of divorce has been obtained, according to a statement made this afternoon to an Evening World reporter by Harry M. Noble, father of the boy eloper.

The elder Noble was seen at his Manhattan establishment in Nostrand avenue, Brooklyn. When questioned about a report that his son had quarreled with the young wife with whom he ran away he replied with a vigorous negative.

"There has been no quarrel so far as I know," said Plumber Noble, "and I am sure my boy's affections for Mrs. Suydam are as strong as ever. He intends to marry her and will do so as soon as the marriage is legally possible. Both those young people have done too much talking, but from now on I am sure that they will be silent. They have been discussing their affairs and nothing will be known of their future affairs until things happen."

SAYS OFFER WAS MADE BY FATHER OF THE HUSBAND.

"I look for a favorable solution of the tangle before long. The attorney for Mr. Suydam sr. has offered to settle \$100,000 on Mrs. Suydam Jr. if she will not fight a divorce proceeding. Whether or not she has accepted that offer I cannot say. I am saying too much as it is."

"I have not seen Fred for several days, but I expect him to join me in a day or so and accompany me on a cruise down to Greenpoint. He will spend his vacation with me aboard the boat I have chartered for the cruise. Then, thank heaven, we will be safe from interviewers for a while."

"It is not true that Fred has lost his job with the Howard Duesler Duster Company. He is still manager of their New York office and his employers think very highly of him. He has chosen the present time to take his vacation and that is the reason he has not been seen around his office."

HIS DEATH ACCIDENTAL.

Coroner's Jury Returns Verdict in Case of Mr. Almour.

Testimony brought out today at the inquest into the falling of John Canon Almour, a chartered accountant, from a window in his office on the fourteenth floor of No. 257 Broadway, resulted in a verdict of accidental death from the coroner's jury.

The evidence showed that Mr. Almour had long been a sufferer from vertigo, and that it was his practice to sit upon the sill of an open window when he felt an attack approaching.

\$400,000 FRAUDS CHARGED AGAINST 5TH AVENUE FIRM

Sigmund L. Fleisher and an
Employee Held by United
States Commissioner.

WARRANT FOR PARTNER.

The Government Will Institute
Civil Proceedings to Re-
cover \$1,250,000.

A customs fraud case which confidential agents of the Treasury Department say exceeds in importance any hitherto brought by the Government against importers, with the single exception of the recent case against the Duven brothers, was instituted today against the importing firm of Naday & Fleisher of No. 75 Fifth avenue.

Sigmund L. Fleisher, a member of the firm, and David R. Bratter, an employee, were arrested on a charge of conspiring to defraud the Government, and a warrant was issued for John Naday, the other partner, who sailed for Europe yesterday. The total amount of duties out of which the Government claims it has been defrauded during the last three years is estimated by the authorities in charge of the case at \$900,000 or \$1,000,000, and the amount which will be sued for in civil proceedings to be instituted later will be upward of \$1,250,000.

Naday and Fleisher are importers of silk, embroideries, women's robes and high-priced dress fabrics with a Paris office in charge of John Naday, the member of the firm who sailed for Europe yesterday. Mr. Naday spends very little time in this country and devotes all of his attention to the affairs of the European branch.

The firm is understood to control a concern known as the Royal Embroidery Works Company, which acts as the sales agent in this country of the embroideries which it imports. The business is long established and is capitalized at \$1,000,000.

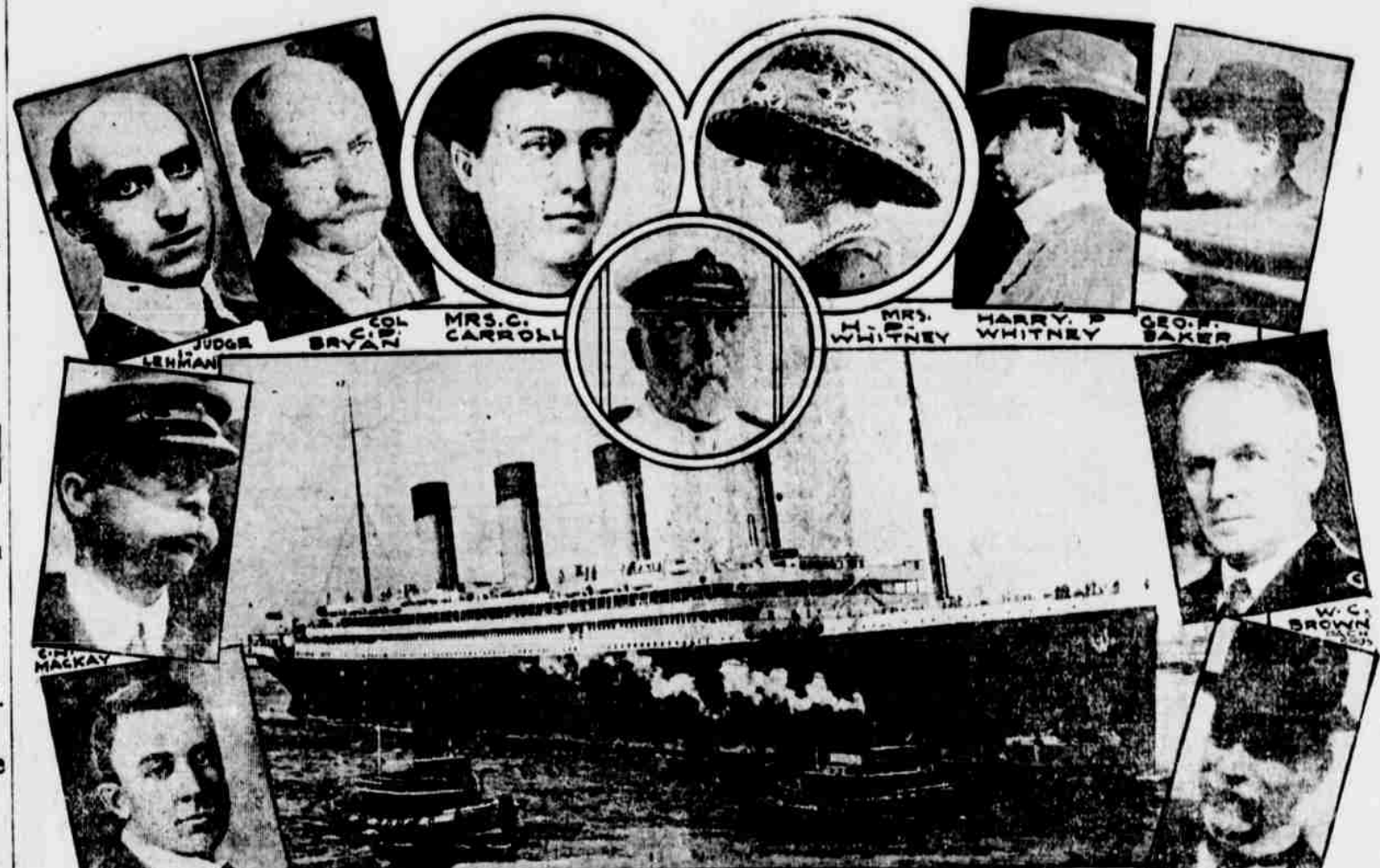
CHARGE OF UNDERVALUATION MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT.

The Government's complaint on which the warrants were issued charges under-valuation on various shipments of goods imported into this country since 1908. Some of the shipments which are claimed to have been undervalued are of as recent date as July of the current year.

It is charged by the Treasury officials that the firm purchased goods from upward of a hundred manufacturers in various parts of Europe, and that these goods with invoices covering their full value were all shipped into France and found their way to the Paris branch.

It is alleged that at the Paris branch false invoices were made in which the goods were undervalued. These were the invoices on which duty was paid. It is alleged, while the bills covering the real value of the goods were sent direct to the firm in this city. Special European agents of the Treasury Department assisted in the investigation which has covered a period of many months.

Olympic, Her Captain and Americans on Board



THE OLYMPIC AND CAPTAIN SMITH.



GEORGE E. IDE.

SHAKER ACCUSED OF MURDER BY CORONER'S JURY

Gillette, Who Gave "Merciful
Death," Is Held—Sister
Sears Not Named.

KISSIMEE, Fla., Sept. 20.—Egbert Gillette, the Shaker elder, who, with Elizabeth Sears, administered chloroform to Sadie Marchant, another member of the Shaker colony, who was suffering from tuberculosis, was held for murder this afternoon, following announcement of finding of the coroner's jury.

He was rearrested and held without bail.

No mention was made of Sister Sears in the verdict.

of duty thereon, regardless of what duty might have been paid under a false valuation. Under this law the Government will probably bring suit to recover about \$1,250,000.

Both the defendants were summoned to Marconi Henkel's office today and placed under arrest. They were later arraigned before Commissioner Gilchrist and demanded an immediate examination, but the hearing was postponed for a week at the request of Assistant District Attorney Walton. Fleisher was held under \$5,000 bail and Bratter under \$2,000 bail. The latter is charged with having merely acted under orders.

Special Treasury Agent Peter J. Sullivan swore out the complaint and was the most active of the investigators on this side of the Atlantic.

"MASHER" SENT TO WORKHOUSE IS RICH CHICAGOAN

Name "David Salomon" Hides
Identity of Leading
Fur Merchant.

Application was made today by Lawyer K. Henry Rosenberg to Judge Foster in the Court of General Sessions for leave to appeal from the action of Magistrate Kropf, who last night sentenced to the workhouse for five days, on a complaint of "mashing," a leading fur commission merchant of this city and Chicago, who conceals his identity under the name of David Salomon. He came from Chicago a few days ago and his wife is at a hotel on St. Nicholas avenue.

One of the girls who caused the arrest, on Fourteenth street, is Evelyn Burke. Today she told an Evening World reporter, at her home, No. 132 East Seventeenth street, that she is the stepdaughter of Alex J. Clements, the Democratic candidate for Sheriff in Jersey City. The other girl is Pearl Turner, a telephone operator, living at No. 38 Summit avenue, Jersey City.

At the time of his arrest, "Salomon" was accompanied by David Smith, a former employee, who is now in business at No. 65 East Twelfth street, and David Engler, Smith's salesman. The stories of the men and the women in the case agree up to a certain point. It is substantially that the men were looking at furs in a window, when the girls walked up.

"We saw furs marked \$12.50," said Miss Burke, "and we heard one of the men say 'I wonder how they can sell these garments so cheap.' Then the man we arrested spoke up."

"Hello, fell, you're a good-looking, what's-your-name?"

"We would have overlooked this," said Miss Burke, "but when he sneaked at us we stood at the window looking at our own furs. We thought he ought to be punished."

"Still, we felt very sorry when he was sentenced to the workhouse," said Miss Turner, "and after we left the court room we went among friends to see if we could help him get out of there. If the judge would have accepted bail some of our friends were ready to come forward. It was our duty to help him now to keep him out of the workhouse we will gladly do it."

SCORES TO-DAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

AT ST. LOUIS.
FIRST GAME.

GIANTS—0 0 0 1 0 0 1 2—4

ST. LOUIS—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Batteries—Marquard and Meyer, Landwehr and Bliss.

AT CINCINNATI.
FIRST GAME.

BROOKLYN—0 0 0 1 0 0 4 —

CINCINNATI—0 1 0 0 0 5 1 —

Batteries—Schmidt and Erwin, Proulx and Clarke.

AT PITTSBURG.

BOSTON—1 0 0 0 0 0 —

PITTSBURG—0 0 0 2 0 0 —

Batteries—Tyler and King, Hendrix and Simon.

AT CHICAGO.
FIRST GAME.

PHILADELPHIA—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

CHICAGO—0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1

Batteries—Moore and Madden, Cole and Archer.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

AT NEW YORK.
FIRST GAME.

CLEVELAND—0 1 0 0 3 2 1 0 5—12

HIGHLANDERS—2 1 0 0 0 0 3 3—9

Batteries—Blanding and Easterly, Warhop and Blair.

AT CLEVELAND.
SECOND GAME.

CLEVELAND—0 —

HIGHLANDERS—0 —

AT PHILADELPHIA.

ST. LOUIS—0 0 0 0 0 0 —

ATHLETICS—0 0 0 0 0 0 —

Batteries—Allison and Clarke, Frank and Thomas.

AT BOSTON.

DETROIT—0 0 1 0 0 —

BOSTON—0 0 0 1 1 0 —

Batteries—Works and Strang, Pope and Williams.

AT WASHINGTON.

CHICAGO—0 1 0 1 —

WASHINGTON—0 0 0 0 —



MRS. F.C. PENFIELD.

INDICT WOMAN AS THE WRITER OF 'POISONED LETTERS'

Federal Jury Count Against
Miss Harriet De Witt of
Easton, Pa.

(Special to The Evening World.)

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 20.—Miss Harriet De Witt of Easton, Pa., alleged author of the "poisoned pen" letters, which caused a sensation in this city, was today indicted by the Federal Grand Jury for sending obscene letters through the mails. The case will be tried in December.

Nine residents of Easton and a postal inspector gave information to the Grand Jury.

The chief evidence presented against Miss De Witt is contained in a letter written to one of the members of the flock of Rev. Henry H. Spuler, in which the wife of the pastor is accused of hanging out clothes still soiled, although supposedly fresh from the washroom. Other charges of an unbecoming nature are said to have been made in the letters to the young divine.

BOXING BOARD AFTER CHARLES WHITE NOW.

Charles White, the referee who officiated at the boxing bout in Madison Square Garden recently, between Morris and John, the heavyweights, will be summoned before the New York State Boxing Commission to show cause why his license should not be revoked for not having stopped the fight.

WHITNEY WINS SCOTCH STAKE.

AYR, Scotland, Sept. 20.—The champion golfer, James Watson, won the Scotch Open golf tournament, defeating the runner-up, James Watson, by a score of 18 to 17.

FOR BASEBALL REPORTS AND RACING RESULTS SEE PAGE 4.

PANIC ON OLYMPIC WHEN CRUISER HAWKE CRASHES INTO LINER

2,000 Passengers Crowded on Decks
When English Warship Suddenly
Swings and Hits the Star-
board Quarter.

MANY RICH NEW YORKERS
HELP QUELL EXCITEMENT

Naval Authorities Say Giant Vessel's
Suction Caused Collision—
Americans Landed.

SOUTHAMPTON, Sept. 20.—The White Star liner Olympic, bound for New York, was run down and badly damaged in the Solent off Cowes, Isle of Wight, today, by the British protected cruiser Hawke. Water rushed into the hold of the Olympic through a big hole in her starboard quarter and Capt. Smith headed her for Osborne Bay with the intention of beaching her on a mud bank.

The collision bulkheads held the water in the compartments immediately affected by the collision and Capt. Smith found the expedient of beaching the largest steamship afloat unnecessary. He brought his vessel back to Southampton and unloaded upon the already congested avenues of transatlantic travel the biggest boatload of passengers that ever embarked on a steamship.

The Hawke was badly damaged in the collision, but stood by until it was seen that the Olympic was safe. Then she proceeded to the naval station at Portsmouth under her own steam.

It was reported on unofficial information from the British Admiralty Office this afternoon that the Hawke, which recently was repaired in Portsmouth, was on a speed trial at the time of the collision. She was running very fast when she struck the Olympic, but in the same direction as the liner. The amazing theory that the bulk section of the Olympic drew the Hawke into collision is advanced in naval circles.

There were 742 first cabin passengers booked on the Olympic, including some thirty American millionaires. All her passengers were not aboard. Some awaited the ship at Cherbourg, France.

Intense excitement attended the collision. Most of the passengers were on deck. Officers and stewards sprang to their collision-drill positions and aided in allaying the panic.

CAPTAIN TURNED TO THE SHORE.

When the Olympic was headed for shore Capt. Smith was disposed to land his passengers. An inspection of the vessel, however, showed that she was in no immediate danger, and he decided to keep them on board and return to Southampton.

The disablement of the Olympic has the effect of delaying the departure from home of some 2,000 American tourists and shifting them to the already well filled ships of other lines.

Aside from the inconvenience caused the passengers the collision is a serious matter to the White Star Line. Some \$350,000 has been paid for passage. The line has on its hands more than 2,000 persons who must be fed and cared for until they can be sent to New York on other vessels or until the Olympic can be repaired.

Although the Olympic was cut below her water line her collision bulkheads confined the water that entered to the compartments immediately affected by the collision. So far as is known by the officers of the ship no one was injured.

The accident was unique in the history of collisions. It is said that both vessels were proceeding in the same direction, side by side, and seemingly a safe distance apart. Suddenly, the White Star officials declare, and without warning, the Hawke swung violently around and her heavy armored stern struck the Olympic on the starboard quarter, crushing in her plates as though they were paper.

The shock of the collision threw the great Olympic off an even keel. After the first excitement the passengers rushed to the starboard side of the boat and jammed along the rails. Considerable difficulty was experienced by the officers and stewards in getting some semblance of order out of the confusion.

MANY PASSENGERS ON DECK.

The Olympic left the White Star line pier here at 11.55 o'clock this morning. She had over 2,000 passengers aboard, and with her crew this made nearly 3,000 persons on the steamship. As the Olympic is the largest ship in the world, and the novelty attending her departure for a trip across the Atlantic has not yet worn off, a great crowd assembled to witness her departure. The weather was hazy, but not thick enough to warrant apprehension of danger.

Slowly and carefully the great bulk of the Olympic steamed down the channel of Southampton water, past long lines of vessels lying at anchor. The passengers, after settling their hand luggage in their rooms, were on deck admiring the scenery, which is beautiful along the course of vessels bound in and out of this port. This is especially true of the Solent or Sound between the Isle of Wight and the mainland of England.

From Southampton the Olympic held southward until the entrance to the Solent was reached. There she headed westward to pass around the Isle of Wight and cross the English Channel to Cherbourg.

Off Cherbourg Head, the favorite castle of the late Queen Victoria, now used as a naval school, the Hawke bore alongside the liner. The weather continued